## Commentary

# Wolf says he has faith in the Pack

By Col. Philip Breedlove 8th Fighter Wing commander

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War. For more than 50 years, Americans have served on the peninsula ensuring peace and stability in the region. Each year, we've learned from the trials and tribulations of previous Wolf Pack classes, received better resources and developed smarter airmen and soldiers to handle today's military challenges.

Similarly, during this past year, we've had many trials and each time we've triumphed. We've weathered floods and typhoons, hosted the air base ground defense portion of FOAL EAGLE, upgraded quality of life and even improved how we fight with the arrival of the Block 40 F-16 Fighting Falcons. Just about every month since July, we've exercised and significantly enhanced our war fighting capability. We have conquered all our challenges while writing our own legacy in the legendary Wolf Pack lore.

There is another challenge standing in our way, the Headquarters Pacific Air Forces Initial Response and Combat Employment Readiness Inspection known to most as the "ORI." Make no mistake about it, this inspection is important. It will be our legacy, and capture how combat capable we are at defending the base and preserving peace on the peninsula.

However, like all the other challenges we've faced, I have faith that every one of you will perform magnificently for the PACAF IG. They will walk away knowing what I already know, the Wolf Pack is the standard for excellence. We are prepared and ready to handle any challenge. Nobody beats our spirit and dedication to the mission. Nobody!

I know each of you will stand tall, give your best effort and display a positive attitude. Attitude, safety and teamwork are the key ingredients to mission success. Move with deliberate urgency, but don't sacri-



Graphic by Staff Sgt. Michael Kucharczak

fice safety and proper operation procedures for getting the job done quickly. Provide encouragement when things go well, but more importantly when they don't. Safety and doing the job right is our number-one priority.

This has been our hallmark since day one and it is the reason why we have such a great safety record. We don't sacrifice safety for anything. And I'll take this chance to remind you one more time, during the inspection remember to wear reflective belts aroundthe-clock so drivers who are unfamiliar with Kunsan can see you better.

Expect some tense moments. But remember, we live this mission. Defending the base, accepting follow-on forces and being ready to take the fight north is something we do every day. Show the IG your enthusiasm and that you are good at your job. Don't let them be a distraction. You are the best. Show them. Point out areas that you want them to take note of and document as possible benchmark practices. If asked a question and you don't know the answer, look it up in your January 2001 Ability to Survive and Operate Guide or Airman's Manual.

Remember, this is a team sport! From the Red Carpet Team, to the "defenders" in the DFPs, to the young maintainers launching jets, everyone is key to this fight, and every one of you has the capability to make a lasting impression on the PACAF IG.

I have no doubt we'll do just that, you're going to do great. Take care of the mission, take care of one another and be safe. It's been a special year Wolf Pack. Let's continue the trend and close this chapter with an exclamation mark and an "Outstanding" effort. May God have mercy on the Wolf Pack's prey!

#### Countdown to ORI 2001 5 Days



ATSO Tip of the Week: Self aid and buddy care tips

It's important to know self aid and buddy care. Medical personnel cannot pick up patients due to the threat and manning so everyone is responsible for knowing how to treat themselves and others and then transport the injured to the hospital. Self aid and buddy care is as simple as ABC.

**Airway** – Check the victim's airway. Listen for breathing by placing your ear next to the person's mouth.

**Breathing** – Is the victim breathing? If the person cannot talk, they cannot breathe.

**Circulation** – Check the patient's pulse to make sure there is proper circulation. Treat external bleeding with direct pressure, elevate the affected limb and use pressure points to slow the bleeding. Use tourniquets as a last resort.

Check Chapter 11 on Page 11-1 in the January 2001 Kunsan Ability to Survive and Operate Guide or Page 111 in the Airman's Manual on how to identify and treat specific injuries.

## Commander's Hotline

The commander's hotline is your direct line of communication between me and the Wolf Pack. It's one of several means of helping to resolve concerns and to get my response to comments and questions. As a general rule, I ask you to contact the agency involved first, but if you are not satisfied, call the hotline at 782-5284, e-mail the 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs office or e-mail me directly.



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Base exchange	
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Civil engineer squadron customer service	782-5318
Commissary manager	782-4144
Computer help deskFitness center	782-2666
Fitness center	782-4026
Housing office	782-4088
Inspector GeneralIDEA office	782-4850
IDEA office.	782-4020
Law enforcement desk	782-4944
Legal assistance	782-4283
Military equal opportunity	782-4055
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